

PROHIBITION AS SEEN BY REV. RASSWEILER OF M. E. CHURCH

In keeping with Prohibition Sunday, Rev. G. F. Rassweiler took for his theme in the First Methodist Episcopal church yesterday morning "The Great Destroyer," taking his text from the overthrow of the Midianites by Gideon and his band. In part he said: "These Midianites used to come across the Jordan valley and up into the valleys of Israel, seizing their winnowed grain, driving away their cattle, killing the men and taking captive women and children. We talk much of the danger of some invading foe killing our men and destroying our property, and putting us under some form of tribute. But a greater destroyer than any foe ever will be is already in our midst. King Alcohol, leading his hosts of numerous saloons, is far more to be feared than war and pestilence combined. Alcohol is the greatest destroyer of the ages.

Destroyer of Life.

"Alcohol is a poison, as its name intoxicates indicates. It is deadly and retarding in its influence upon both vegetables and animal life. Mix even a small amount of alcohol with the water around the roots of fruit trees and the fruit will fall untimely. Some time ago out of one litter of spaniels two male pups were taken, the one raised with a small daily allowance of alcohol, such an amount as is quite often given by thoughtless mothers to their infants, and out of another litter two female pups were taken and one treated similarly. Later the two alcoholics were mated and the two non-alcoholics. When the alcoholic mother began to manifest unusual symptoms of distress, a prenatal accident occurred—something almost unknown before—and finally died in pup birth with the fifth litter. Many of her offspring were born dead, many died in infancy and only 17 per cent were normal.

"Of the non-alcoholic mother, 90 per cent were normal and she had no abnormal experience. In an examination of ten families of alcoholic families and ten non-alcoholic families, exactly the same proportion was found to exist. All but 17 per cent of the alcoholic parents were either deformed, or idiotic or feeble minded or epileptic or otherwise subnormal, while of the non-alcoholic parents, 90 per cent were sound and normal. That is alcohol kills or deforms three out of four children of those who use it. Will any foreign foe ever kill or maim three-fourths of our infants year in and year out? Besides it is found that drinking mothers have five times as many prenatal accidents as abstaining mothers, while drinking parents who drink heavily lose three times as many children in infancy as do total abstainers, and those who drink moderately lose twice as many. Herod slaying the innocents was a mere circumstance compared with this blighter of infancy.

"But alcohol also destroys adult life. Life insurance statistics show that nearly half of adult deaths are premature because of alcohol, and therefore Congressman Hobson figures that 700,000 men every year die before their time because of drink, 700,000 men in short slain in the United States by this foul destroyer of life—as many as have been killed in battle, he figures, in thousands of years of battles among the white race. And he also says there are 25,000,000 men wounded by alcohol in this country—ten times those wounded in battle in thousands of years.

"No combination of foreign foes with death dealing artillery will ever destroy men as rapidly as does King Alcohol. And then to think that we license him to do it instead of driving him from our land.

Destroys Business. "How foolish to say that the saloon is good for business. How can the grocer figure out that it is good for his business for his patrons to spend their money at the saloon and have only a pittance left for his goods, or possibly buy on uncertain credit? It has been scientifically proven that two steins of beer a day decreases a workman's efficiency 8 per cent. So it is estimated by Congressman Hobson that between moderate drinkers, heavy drinkers, and drunks who are incapacitated part of the time and some non-producers all of the time that the production of American men is reduced 21 per cent by alcohol, which means an annual loss of over \$8,000,000,000. Added to this is the loss of those who die unliving through drink whose labor, if living, could have added another \$5,000,000,000 to our wealth. Alcohol puts a burden of \$2,000,000,000 upon our citizens in the annual cost of the care of the pauperism, insanity and crime caused by drink. Another \$2,000,000,000 is spent for booze so that we American people are \$16,000,000,000 poorer each year than we would be if we were not for alcohol.

And that, if the \$2,000,000,000 spent for liquor in the United States every year were spent for staple necessities, it would give employment to five times as many men as are now employed in the liquor business, and this country would have the most unexampled era of prosperity any country has ever known. And the experience of Kansas, Maine, Russia, Denver and Seattle prove this to be true. Recently the paper which fought Prohibition in Washington, prophesying empty store buildings and ruined business, came out with a three-page declaration that nothing of the sort had happened but that Seattle never was so prosperous as since it went dry."

SECOND YEAR OF THE GREAT WAR

(Continued from Page 9.) fore Saloniki was required to hold Serbia and prevent the invasion of Germany was officially admitted to be grave. In this embarrassment, as the French observers view it, the central powers, ardently desiring peace, and urgently needing success to raise the spirits of the German people, de- pressed as they were by prolonged



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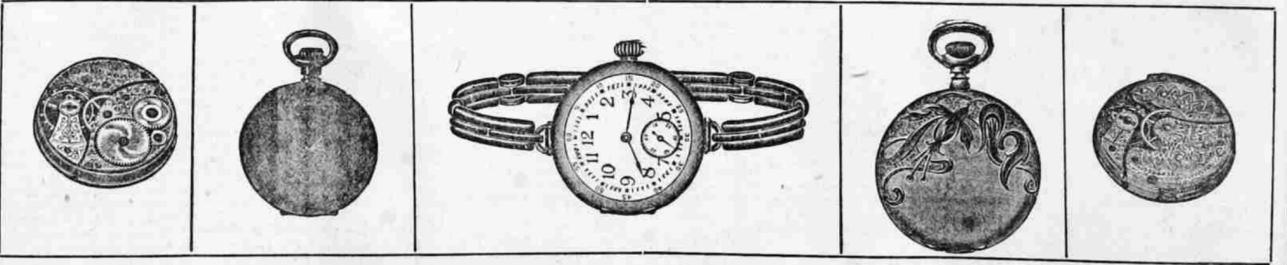
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DARING HOLD UP AT TERMINAL STATION

One of the most brazen hold-ups recorded this year was executed in the drive-way by the Interurban Terminal, Saturday night, just after the arrival of the last Bamberger train from Lagoon. The victim was H. W. Shannon, of 536 Twenty-fifth street. Mr. Shannon came into Ogden on the last train, which did not arrive until nearly one o'clock, due to the large crowds that attend Lagoon on Saturday night, just after the arrival and started home through the drive-way, as the depot is closed at that time of night. When half way through, two men suddenly stepped up to him and, jamming revolvers menacingly close to his face, demanded his money. They secured \$3.50 and escaped. Mr. Shannon reported the affair to police headquarters. Sergeant H. C. Peterson, Detectives Alex L. Effe, and Dick Wootton, Patrolmen Fitzgerald, Brown, Blackburn, Sullivan and Pincock immediately began a search of the rooming houses and guarded all out-going trains. Shannon told the police that he thought the men were Greeks, as they spoke broken English. He gave the officers a good description.

ALL-BRITISH ARE TO HAVE OUTING

Lagoon Outing. Ogden and Salt Lake's grand reunion Monday, August 7. Sports, concert and dancing, \$100 worth of prizes awarded. Fare 25c. This is where you will meet all your friends.—Advertisement

PRINTERS HAVE CANYON OUTING

The printers of Salt Lake, Ogden and Provo held their annual outing at the Idlewild resort in Ogden canyon yesterday afternoon. Over one hundred and fifty printers and members of their families were present. William Soell, manager of the resort, had a banquet prepared in the Idlewild dining room.

CASH BARGAINS ALL THIS WEEK

- 10c Toilet Paper, 3 for.....20c
15c Cans Pink Salmon, 3 for.....25c
Best Japan Rice, 5 pounds.....35c
Fancy English Walnuts, 2 lbs.....25c
Corn starch, 4 pkgs.....25c
Gloss starch, 3 pkgs.....20c
10c Sacks Salt, 2 for.....15c
Golden Egg Mac, Spgh. and Vermicelli, 3 for.....25c
High Patent Flour, sack.....\$1.20
Fancy New Spuds, 11 lbs.....25c
15c Pa. Oats and Wheat Flakes 20c
3c Pa. Rolled Oats, each.....10c
Large Cans Milk, dozen.....\$1.05
Small Can Milk, dozen.....55c
Fresh Corn Flakes, 3 pkgs.....20c
25c Can Pineapple, each.....15c
East Bot. Blue, 2 for.....15c
Household Ammonia, 2 bottles.....25c
20c Cans Salmon, 2 for.....25c
5c Oily Sardines, 7 for.....25c
Fancy Cream Cheese, pound.....20c
Utah Canned Peas, 3 for.....25c
20c Cans Table Syrup, 2 for.....25c

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privations, looked to the French front and decided upon the adventure of Verdun. The German plans seems originally to have been concentrate artillery, munitions and men in such force over a limited length of front that the onslaught would be irresistible. They chose Verdun because the position of the ancient fortress was such that the defenders had their backs to the river Meuse on two sides and because success there would give the greatest possible prestige with neutral powers and the maximum comfort to their own people. It was also possible they knew what subsequent political events in France disclosed—that the defenses of Verdun were not, in view of the field tactics of this war, as strong as other parts of the front. It is the belief of military experts that the Germans hoped to break through the front there and destroy the French armies. It was imperative that success be rapid, according to this view, and when, after three days, the advance was checked in the region of Donaumont the project had failed. General Petain, as an official citation later revealed, had time to "re-establish a delicate situation." There was no longer hope of breaking through the French front.

Every yard of ground gained by the Germans before Verdun since February 24, has been at an extremely heavy sanguinary cost. The continuing of so expensive and fruitless an operation has puzzled the critics. It has been advanced that the Germans persisted with the object of exhausting the French forces and preventing an offensive by the allies elsewhere. If that end was in view, the success of the allies in the battle of the Somme show it was not attained. The battle of Verdun, if ordered with the intention of interfering with the offensive plans of the allies, in nowise diminished the chances of carrying them out, whatever the fate

of the discarded fortress, it having now no more significance apart from the prestige of the name than any other point along the front. Local success there has long been discounted, and in military opinion can have no vital effect, while the attempting of a wastage process by the central powers at this stage of the war is held to be illusory and certainly enormous-ly costly. The central empires have no longer reserves in such numbers that they can afford to launch them against the allies in the mere hope of inflicting more damage than they suffer. The heroic defense of Verdun, on the other hand, has been for the allies one of the notable developments of the war. It held German reserves there in such numbers as to put an end to the shifting of troops from front to front. It prevented the reinforcement of the Austrians, suffering from the loss of prisoners, with perhaps as many casualties, to the armies under General Brussiloff. It obliged the Germans to prolong during five months a vast daily expenditure of projectiles that was expected to continue only a few days, and has so drawn upon their reserve of munitions that in the battle of the Somme they were able to reply to the French and British guns in the proportion of only one shot for three.

HELD UP IN THE PARK SATURDAY

The irresistible congeniality of a stranger cost H. G. Spencer of Caldwell, Idaho, \$50, Saturday night. Spencer said he met the magnetic fellow on Twenty-fifth street. In ten minutes they were smiling at each other's jokes; in twenty minutes they were mutually reviewing their lives; before half an hour had elapsed they were inhaling a few drinks. Then the friendship became salubrious and the chum invited Spencer over to Central Park to dream over things that were mutually unknown to them. Once in the park, and conversation going full blast, the kind hearted pal gently

poked Spencer between the eyes with sufficient fraternalism to transport the Idaho visitor into dreamland. After "borrowing" \$50 from his dazed friend the hold-up departed in search of another "friend." The destruction of adversary forces is another and a far more difficult matter. In this war the end may be nearer than many hope or may yet be far distant. There are no bases on which to calculate the progress of military operations or the resistance of the belligerents, even when apparently doomed to defeat. What is clear is that the anticipated ascendancy of the allies, arising from their unrestricted resources, appears to have been realized.

SIX INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Payson, July 30.—Sam Sharpino of Eureka was perhaps fatally injured and five other young people of Payson and Eureka were badly bruised when the automobile in which they were riding was struck by a north-bound train on the Salt Lake & Utah Interurban at Salem on Sunday 8:25 o'clock tonight. The injured are: Sam Sharpino, Eureka, fractured skull and right leg. Edna Cowan, Payson, shoulder dislocated and head bruised. Dora Montague, Payson, badly bruised and probably injured internally. Reed Pierson, Payson, leg badly bruised. Eileen Cowan, bruised about head and face. Geraru Arvino, Eureka, slightly bruised about body. The party had been riding around the valley and was on the way to Payson when the automobile engine died on the interurban crossing in Salem. Before Sharpino, who was driving, could get the engine started, the northbound train on the interurban that left here at 8:15 o'clock crashed into the automobile. The automobile was demolished. Sharpino and Edna Cowan were taken to the Provo hospital. Others members of the party were taken to Payson by friends. Sharpino had not regained consciousness up to midnight and little hope is

PARDONED CONVICT MADE POLICE CHIEF

Macon, Ga., July 31.—Thomas Edgar Stripling, who for nearly four years while an escaped convict from Georgia served as chief of police at Danville, Va., under the name of R. E. Morris, passed through here en route to join his family at Columbus, Ga., and announced that news of his pardon Saturday by Governor Nat E. Harris, had been followed by an order from Danville for him to resume his position as police chief there. Stripling killed his neighbor, W. J. Cornell in Harris county, Georgia, in 1897 and after sentence to life imprisonment, escaped. He went to Virginia, and became head of the large police force. In 1911, he was identified and brought back to Georgia to complete his term.

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